

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: 7/25/47

FROM : L. L. Nichols

SUBJECT:

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

The Attorney General's office on July 25, 1947, called around and request for photostats of some material from the Henry J. Kaiser Company. Thinking that it might tie into the some material, I told Miss Gandy that we should photostat it. A copy is attached. An original and a negative were furnished to the Attorney General's office in line with their request.

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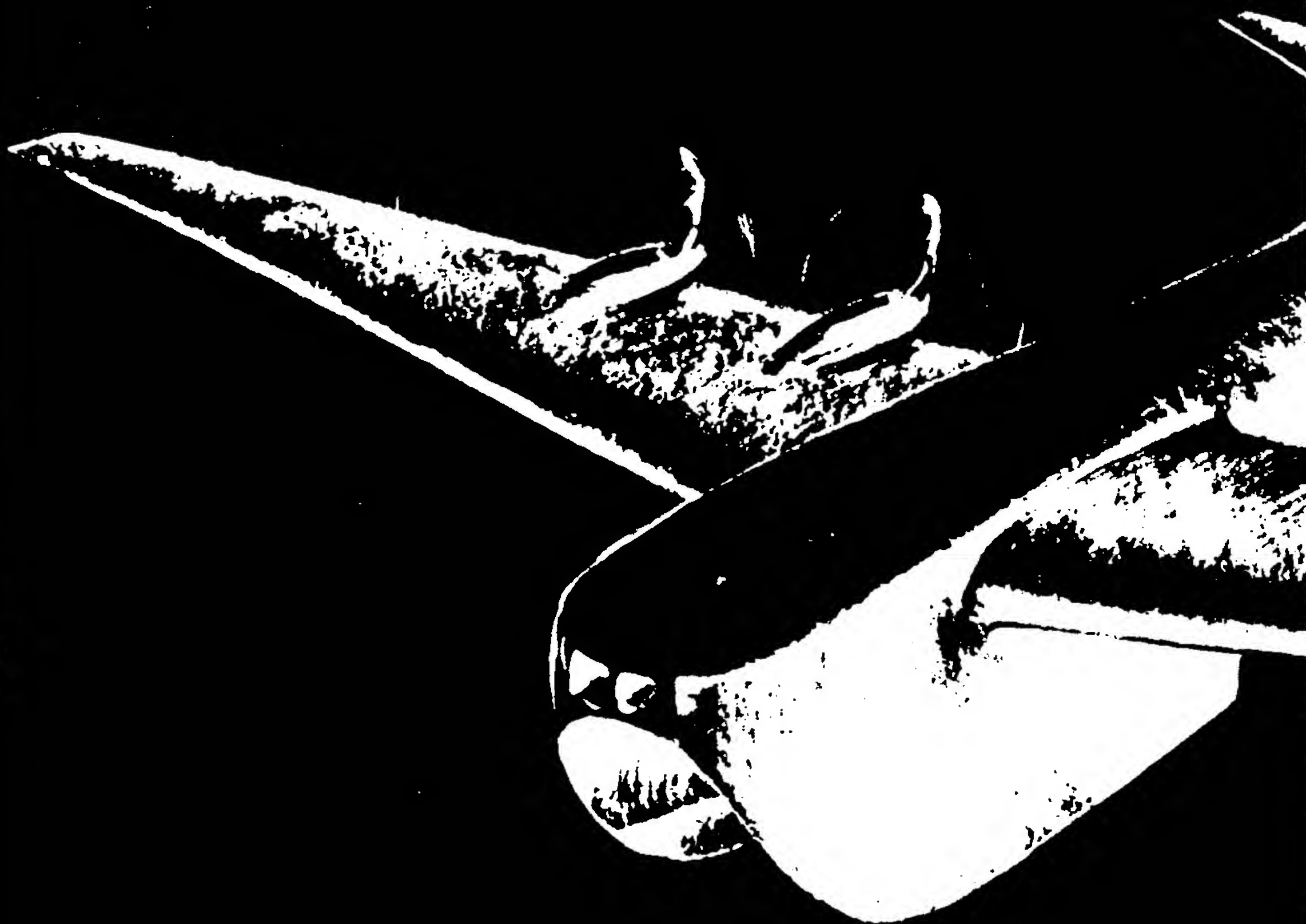
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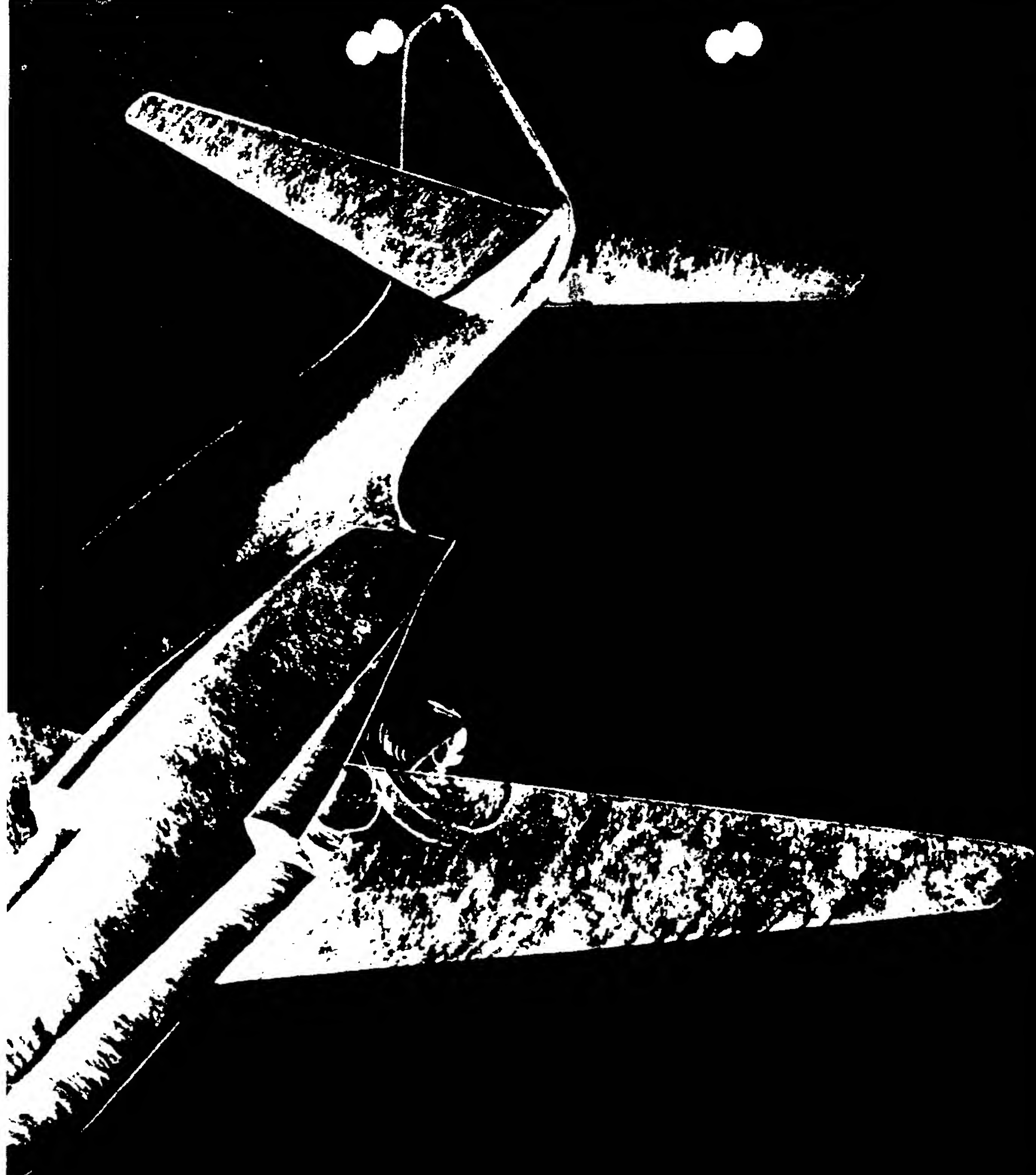
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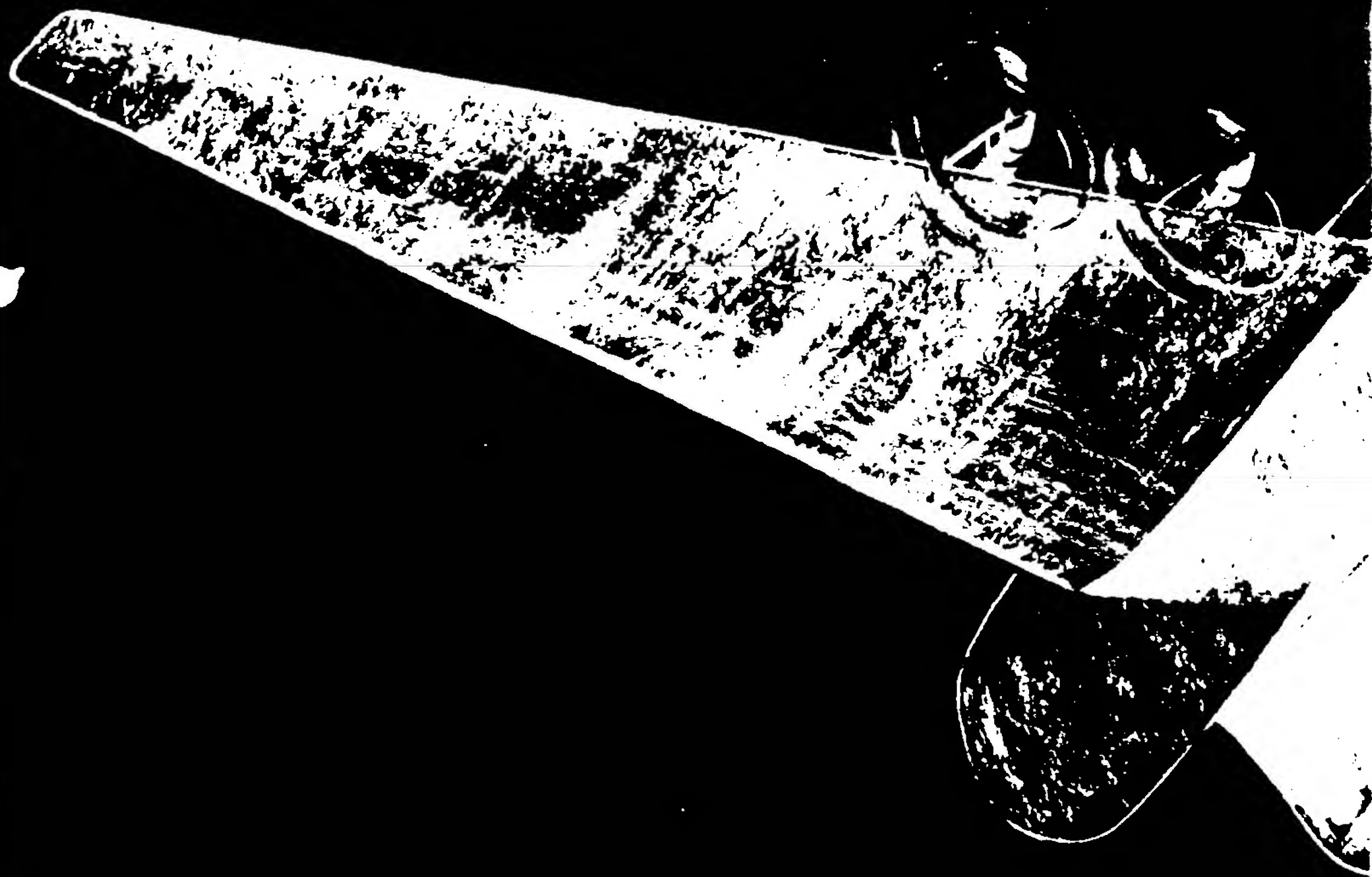


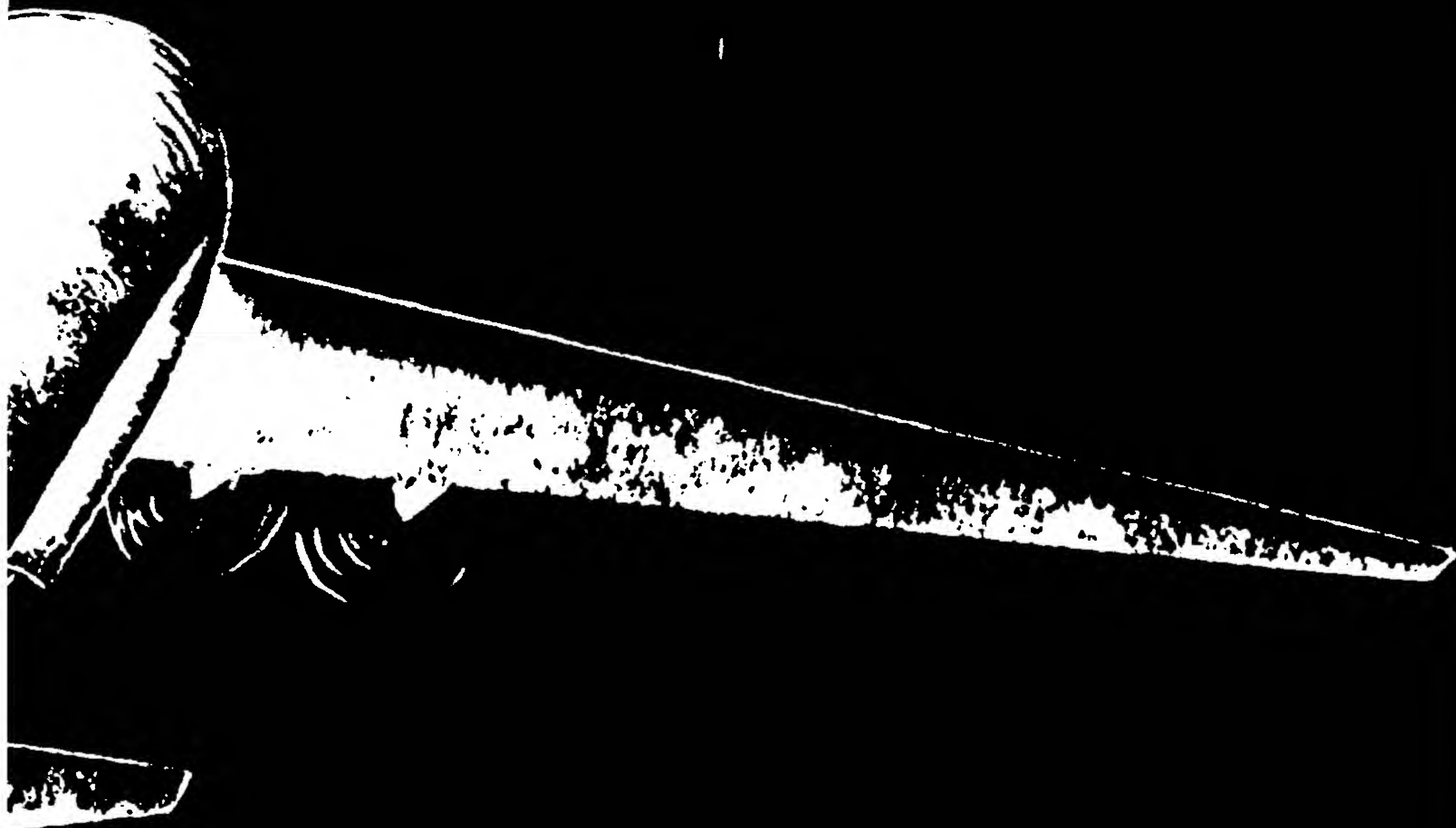




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FILE DESCRIPTION

SUBJECT Howard Robard Hughes

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Asks Probe of Wallgren's Reported \$50,000 Winning

By WILLIAM F. McMENAMIN

WASHINGTON, March 8 (UP).—Sen. Cain (R.-Wash.) today demanded an investigation of reports that Mon C. Wallgren won \$50,000 in a "crap game" with Johnny Meyer, contact-man for millionaire planebuilder Howard Hughes.



Ex-Gov. Mon Wallgren (left), accused of winning \$50,000 in a crap game from Johnny Meyer, sat for this picture at El Morocco two years ago with Linda Darnell and Meyer. (Mirror Photo)

Cain raised the issue at the start of what he billed as a 16-hour Senate speech against President Truman's nomination of Wallgren, former Democratic Governor of Washington, to be chairman of the National Security Resources Board.

Wallgren immediately branded the story "entirely false—there's not one word of truth in it." He said he never won "a single dollar, not even a penny," from Meyer and "I know of no such crap game at Palm Springs at all."

Takes Off Shoes

Mrs. Cain, who recently sued for divorce in Tacoma, Wash., was among the gallery spectators as Cain took off his shoes, put on comfortable carpet slippers and started reading from a mountainous pile of documents.

The Washington Republican began by repeating his previous charges that Wallgren is "soft" toward Communists and generally incompetent to hold the \$14,000-a-year defense post.

Then he dropped his bombshell. He demanded that the Senate Armed Services Committee subpoena columnist Drew Pearson to

high five

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MRS. HARRY CAIN
She'll sit out husband's spiel.
repeat under oath charges which Cain said he made in a phone call March 4.

"Pearson told me that Wallgren won \$50,000 in a crap game from Johnny Meyer in Palm Springs, Calif., about three years ago," Cain said.

Meyer was the "public relations" man for Hughes, whose alleged participating and favoring of the game was the basis for

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Urges Probe Of Wallgren 'Dice Game'

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ured two years ago in a Senate investigation of aircraft contracts awarded by the U. S. Air Force.

Cain quoted Pearson as saying the FBI had started and then dropped an investigation of the alleged crap game and that some FBI officials thought it might have been "linked with a plane contract."

Describing Pearson as a man with "a magnificent disregard for accuracy," he remarked:

"I think the committee should interrogate a man who talks this way over the phone. Pearson should eat his words if they are not true."

Cain's mention of Meyer caused a stir in the chamber. It was Meyer's testimony that helped lead to the perjury conviction of Maj. Gen. Bennett E. Meyers, Air Force procurement officer.

Referring to Wallgren's close friendship with Truman, Cain said it is "time the Senate served notice that government by cronies must end."

Informed by phone of Cain's speech, Wallgren told the United Press:

"In the first place, I don't think Pearson said that.

"I don't know where such stories come from. The entire thing is false. There's not one word of truth in it. I know of no such game. I didn't win a single dollar, not even a penny, from Mr. Meyer."

Wallgren went on to say that he considers the whole thing part of Cain's "personal" attack on him.

Wallgren and Meyer Nightclub Cronies

By LEE MORTIMER

Mon Wallgren and Johnny Meyer, high-powered Page 1 press agent and tab-signer, were a pair of gay birds in the late spots during 1946 and 1947, according to Cafe Society habitués.

While Wallgren was Governor of the State of Washington he was frequently seen in the company of Meyer at bars and cafes here. It was a running gag in the supper clubs that the capital of Washington had been moved from Olympia to El Morocco.

Meyer, the perfect host, always picked up the tab. Frequently the rotund publicity man enlisted visiting Hollywood beauties and New York partygirls to lend the feminine touch to these late gatherings.

Nightclubbers said Johnny's interest in Wallgren was not purely social, but was centered on Wallgren's direct pipeline to the White House.

TWA Airlines, which lacked a trans-Pacific link to complete its dream of circling the globe, held an option to purchase Northwest Airlines. Wallgren, who falls from the Northwest was instrumental in obtaining for that line the franchise which TWA was unable to get for itself.

However, it turned out that Meyer's work was wasted. Before TWA could pick up its option, the stock market picture changed considerably and TWA lost interest in Northwest.

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FILE DESCRIPTION

SUBJECT Howard Robard Hughes

FILE NO. 62-81080-4

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen *Red*

DATE: 4/7/58

FROM : P. L. Price *gib*SUBJECT: LANA TURNER
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

Mr. Tolson ☒
 Mr. Ladd ☒
 Mr. Nichols ☒
 Mr. Belmont ☒
 Mr. Clegg ☒
 Mr. Glavin ☒
 Mr. Harbo ☒
 Mr. Rosen ☒
 Mr. Tracy ☒
 Mr. Egan ☒
 Mr. Gurnea ☒
 Mr. Hendon ☒
 Mr. Jones ☒
 Mr. Quinn ☒
 Mr. Nease ☒
 Miss Gandy ☒

On 4/7/58 you were advised by memorandum that John Stompanato was stabbed to death by Cheryl Crane, daughter of movie star Lana Turner, on 4/4/58 at Hollywood, California. The stabbing is a local crime and not within the Bureau's jurisdiction. However, in view of the notoriety this case is receiving we checked the files of the Bureau on Lana Turner and the following is hereby submitted:

deceased

During the inquiry by the Bureau of John William Meyer, reported publicity man for millionaire Howard Hughes, our New York Office (NYO) reported on 4/17/46 that Meyer checked into the Sherry Netherlands Hotel. Shortly afterwards, he made reservations at this hotel for Howard Hughes. He previously made reservations for Lana Turner who arrived 4/12/46. Hughes, according to our NYO, would spend the evening in Lana Turner's suite, take her to the "El Morocco" for dinner, return her to her suite in the early A.M.

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Memorandum for Mr. Rosen
Re: Lana Turner

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RECOMMENDATION:

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The above is for your information.

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SUBJECT Howard Robard Hughes

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Los Angeles, California
July 3, 1946

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO
FILE NO. _____

AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Director, FBI

Re: RACKETEERING ACTIVITIES
LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

Dear Sir:

Reactivation of Capone Gang

Reference is made to recent telephone conversations with Mr. ROSEN of the Bureau and SAC NEWMAN at Salt Lake City with reference to information received from a confidential informant [REDACTED]

On February 14, 1946, [REDACTED] telephonically informed me that he had been at the Burbank Airport very recently and had been talking to SA [REDACTED] there when he noticed BUGGS/SIEGEL and another individual. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] that he had been invited by EDWARD HUGHES to go east in a constellation plane on February 14th when HUGHES was to pilot it in an effort to make a new transcontinental record; numerous movie personages were to be aboard the ship at that time. There has been newspaper publicity about this matter and it was common knowledge, and it is not definitely known if HUGHES had in fact invited [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Obviously no attempt was ever made to verify this through HUGHES or any of his associates. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] that he had recently talked to me. This is positively not true, as I have not seen [REDACTED] at 5:30 a year and a half under any circumstances in a crowd or otherwise and obviously I would have nothing whatsoever to do with him under any circumstances.

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
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Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. E. A. Tamm

DATE: July 8, 1946

FROM : A. ROSEN (R/S)

SUBJECT: REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE GANG - Los Angeles
 MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING
 VICE CONDITIONS - LAS VEGAS, NEVADA
 RESEARCH MATTER

Mr. Tolson ✓
 Mr. E. A. Tamm ✓
 Mr. Clegg ✓
 Mr. Coffey ✓
 Mr. Glavin ✓
 Mr. Ladd ✓
 Mr. Nichols ✓
 Mr. Rosen ✓
 Mr. Tracy ✓
 Mr. Carson ✓
 Mr. Egan ✓
 Mr. Gurnea ✓
 Mr. Harbo ✓
 Mr. Hendon ✓
 Mr. Pennington ✓
 Mr. Quinn Tamm ✓
 Mr. Nease ✓
 Miss Gandy ✓

Reference is made to my memorandum of June 27, 1946, in which information was set forth regarding the fact that Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegel

INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM THE LOS ANGELES DIVISION

SAC Hood reports that on February 14, 1946, [REDACTED] telephonically informed that he had been at the Burbank Airport and while talking with Special Agent [REDACTED] noticed Bugsy Siegel and another individual, whom he believed to be a bodyguard of Siegel's.

[REDACTED] that he recently had been invited by Howard Hughes to participate in the inaugural flight of a Constellation airplane from Los Angeles to New York. He also stated that [REDACTED] had recently talked with SAC Hood. SAC Hood states that this is positively untrue and that he has not seen [REDACTED] for a year and a half in a crowd or under any circumstances and obviously would have nothing whatsoever to do with [REDACTED]

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FILE NO. 62-82088-1

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

DATE: June 20, 1946

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

In accordance with your request there is set forth hereinafter the information in the Bureau files concerning [REDACTED] b7C

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[REDACTED] is reputed to be a procurer of women, gentleman black mailer, roge, rascal, liar, cheap racketeer and one who prides himself on his government contacts. He devotes his time to doing favors for important personalities in the government and movie industry and technically is employed by Howard Hughes, the aircraft manufacturer, for whom he spends a considerable amount of time in procuring women who Howard Hughes is anxious to meet.

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FILE DESCRIPTION

SUBJECT Howard Robard Hughes

FILE NO. 62-87258-1

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES

SUBJECT: REPRESENTATIVE CHET HOLLIFIELD
INFORMATION CONCERNING

DATE: April 15, 1948

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm ✓
Mr. Clegg ✓
Mr. Glavin ✓
Mr. Ladd ✓
Mr. Nichols ✓
Mr. Rosen ✓
Mr. Tracy ✓
Mr. Egan ✓
Mr. Gurnea ✓
Mr. Harbo ✓
Mr. Mohr ✓
Mr. Pennington ✓
Mr. Quinn Tamm ✓
Mr. Nease ✓

On April 15, 1948, an agent of this office attended the East Los Angeles Lions Club to deliver a speech concerning the Bureau's work, and Representative HOLLIFIELD, being a member of the Lions Club, dropped in for a few moments in connection with his forthcoming campaign for re-election to Congress.

He voluntarily answered questions of the men assembled. One of the questions asked the Representative was, "Why did you vote as you did on the Hollywood writers?" to which HOLLIFIELD replied, "I am glad you asked that -- it will be used against me by my political opponents." HOLLIFIELD went on to explain that the Un-American Affairs Committee has been in existence for many years and has never proposed one piece of legislation. He stated that this is the object of committees of Congress, i.e., the proposal of legislation, and that the Un-American Affairs Committee had cost millions of dollars and had produced nothing to date.

He continued that in his opinion the Committee violated the basic American principle that a person was not able to confront his accusers; also that the Committee "has smeared thousands of Communists and pinkos." HOLLIFIELD stated that at the time HOWARD HUGHES was being heard by a committee that his attorney was at his side and the two of them asked questions of HUGHES' accusers.

HOLLIFIELD summarized by stating that he voted as he did to show his disapproval of the Committee's processes and that every man should be able to defend himself.

He then digressed and stated that if someone were arrested by a policeman in East Los Angeles and taken before a Justice's Court, he would be entitled to a hearing, but that this was not the case in the instance of the Hollywood writers.

To justify his stand on Communists, he said that he voted favorably on the proceedings against EUGENE DENNIS, HANS EISLER and one other Communist. However, these three did not take, or at least refused to take, advantage of the recourse

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INFORMATION CONCERNING

offered them by the Congressional Committees.

The final question HOLLIFIELD answered was, "Will TRUMAN run?" to which he replied, "I hope not."

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FILE DESCRIPTION

SUBJECT Howard Robard Hughes

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : *ASL* *W.C.*, Los Angeles

DATE: January 12, 1950

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
 COLUMBIA EDUCATIONAL GUILD
 INTERNAL SECURITY - C
 (Bureau file [REDACTED]) *b7c*

The enclosed news clipping from the "Los Angeles Times" dated January 10, 1950 entitled *Anti-Red Producer Sued by Bit Player* is self-explanatory.

Concerning the proposed suit by Mr. FAGAN against the Columbia Broadcasting System, et al, this office has received no additional information since the date of last Los Angeles letter to Bureau.

No contacts are being instigated by this office with Mr. FAGAN in the absence of Bureau request. [REDACTED] *b7c*

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ANTI-RED PRODUCER SUED BY BIT PLAYER

Breach of Contract Action Against Fagan
Mentions Hughes and G. L. K. Smith Names

Names of Howard Hughes and Gerald L. K. Smith, in a \$2500 breach-of-contract suit filed yesterday in Municipal Court by Viola Wray, onetime film bit player, against Myron C. Fagan, former New York play producer.

Fagan caused a storm of controversy early in 1948 when he charged that his anti-Communist production, "Thieves Paradise," was closed by Red tactics at Hollywood's El Patio Theater.

In a curtain speech he gave at the reopening of the play April 12, 1948, Fagan accused theatrical Reds and fellow travelers of sabotaging the production. He named 100 members of the theatrical world as Communists or persons with Red party tender.

Short Run

"Thieves Paradise" first opened in Hollywood on Dec. 20, 1947, and closed after a six-day run. It dealt with Communist treachery in a mythical Balkan country.

The production ran less than a month after its reopening. Miss Wray contends in her suit, answered by Asst. Mitchell Appel, that on May 20, 1948, Fagan sold her a one-third interest in the play for \$2500.

The action claims that Fagan repeatedly told the plaintiff that he was negotiating with Millionaire Howard Hughes for the play's production. The producer, according to the complaint, refused to sign contracts offered by Hughes "because they tied him down too much."

Denial Made

Hughes' attorneys denied that their client had any contact or dealings with Fagan. Mitchell Appel contends that Fagan sold Hughes not only was in the production of the play but also the subsequent film to be made.

Although Fagan produced the plaintiff production of "Thieves Paradise" during the season, the suit contends the defendant has dissipated his money and spent time since 1948, in lecturing and writing pamphlets to be printed. Fagan, following the closing of "Thieves Paradise," a member of anti-Communist league, published by the International Guild of Actors, described as national. The suit also quotes a letter reportedly written by Fagan. This letter states:

"It is just barely possible that because of a crazy stunt Gerald L. K. Smith pulled at the Republican convention with his curtain speech which he planned and said there without knowledge or consent, we have a great break."

"The press is after the and I get a guarantee that they will get the right kind of break. I should get us the support to go right New York with the play-chubs and even a subsidy the booking office."

Wiretapping Hinted

"Keep this very confidential. Viola, that's why I wouldn't tell it to you on the phone. I know that my phone is tapped and I believe yours is, too."

During the controversy over the play's run at the El Patio, Fagan announced that Red agents were working against his career. He said, prior to the play's reopening in April, that he was informed that he was "through" because of his "disloyalty" in producing the play. He said he had received the advice of his "wiring" agents.

Subsequently, he called on a group of Hollywood "club" members of the West Coast American Legion.

Los Angeles Times
Los Angeles, California

June 1, 1948

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SUBJECT Howard Robard Hughes

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

United States Department of Justice
Los Angeles 13, California
June 9, 1948

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES

ADVISED BY ROUTING

SLIP(S) OF *CLAS*

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE *6-15-51*

Re: HELEN GAHAGAN DOUGLAS, Congresswoman
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Dear Sir:

On June 4, 1948

[Redacted] telephoned this office to relate that on election day DOPE SCHARY and his legman, SHEPHERD TRAUER, had made a collection from various people on the R.K.O. lot for HELEN GAHAGAN DOUGLAS stating, "We need the money now". Those solicited were asked for from \$50.00 to \$100.00, depending on the salary scale. *[Redacted]* no one refused because the head of the Studio was doing the asking.

[Redacted] protested against the donation on the basis that he did not want to see DOUGLAS reelected, but he gave SCHARY a check because of SCHARY's position.

[Redacted] also telephoned that he felt this solicitation might be for the purpose of swinging the election and pointed out that HELEN GAHAGAN DOUGLAS allegedly had beat her opponent, WALLACE BRADEN, by just a few hundred votes and that BRADEN is asking for a recount.

Also on June 4th this office received a telephone call from

[Redacted] who related that DOPE SCHARY, Executive in Charge of Production, has been conducting a pressure political campaign among the writers at R.K.O. on behalf of HELEN GAHAGAN DOUGLAS. She said some writers have given as much as \$1,500.00 because the request came from the front office. SHEPHERD TRAUER, who has been on the R.K.O. payroll at a large salary as a Director but has never directed a picture since his arrival a year ago, was placed in charge of the soliciting.

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 Nease ☒
 Gandy ☒

Neely Asks Justice Dept. For Wire-Tap Information

Copy of Shimon Report on Hughes Case Sought; Fay, McInerney Confer

Chairman Matthew Neely of the Senate District Committee will press the Justice Department this week for a copy of the super-secret Shimon wire-tapping report.

The report involves the investigation into charges that Police Sgt. Joseph Shimon, now of the Fourteenth Precinct, engaged in wire-tapping activities during Senate investigation in 1947 of air and movie magnate Howard Hughes. The Justice Department now has the report.

United States Attorney General Morris Fay disclosed last night he discussed the Shimon report last week with James M. McInerney, chief of the Criminal Division of the Justice Department.

No Decision Planned

No decision was reached. Fay said, and the consultation between the two men was not held for the purpose of reaching a decision.

Senator Neely (D., W. Va.) has not asked him for the report, and Fay said he does not have a copy.

Senator Neely has asked Major Robert J. Barrett, superintendent of police, for Barrett's copy. It is reported within the Justice Department that the report is being reviewed.

McInerney, confirming the "meeting" with Fay, said last night that Peyton Ford, the assistant to Attorney General J. Howard McGrath, would have to give consent.

The Senator made his request to Barrett last week. Now in West Virginia, Neely is expected back in Washington Tuesday.

Reached in West Virginia yesterday, he said he had "no comment."

But according to highly authoritative sources, Neely already has received some information concerning the contents of the report.

Three Witnesses Involved

Part of this information came from three witnesses who are believed to have said that Shimon set up wire-tapping equipment in the Carlton and Marlborough hotels during the 1947 investigation of Hughes.

Multimillionaire Hughes was investigated by the Senate War Investigating Committee. The investigation led to charges and countercharges between Hughes and Senator Owen Brewster (R., Me.).

Neely's position in the Shimon report is that there may be some material in it that concerns the Senate District Committee if police were engaged in widespread activities.

Lieutenant Shimon, from the middle of last year, was assigned as chief investigator in the United States Attorney's office. In September, 1948, Shimon was transferred to the FBI post, according to Major Barrett, at the time the transfer came after the case found in Shimon's files.

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 Do we know anything about this?

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TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: June 21, 1950

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: LIEUTENANT JOSEPH W. SHIMON
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On the evening of June 21, the Attorney General sent for me. On arrival in his office, he indicated that the Department had received, about a year ago, a "wire-tapping report" indicating that Lieut. Shimon of the Washington Police Department and others had allegedly tapped the telephones of Howard Hughes on behalf of the War Investigating Committee of the Senate; [REDACTED]

The Attorney General states that apparently this report was merely initialed into the files in the Department and had never been sent to the FBI. He indicated a desire to have an investigation made of this matter.

I pointed out to the Attorney General that investigations concerning wire tapping were not normally handled by the FBI but rather were the responsibility of the Federal Communications Commission under the Communications Act.

About this time Peyton Ford, whom the Attorney General had called, came to the office with the file on this matter. The Attorney General stated that he did not desire the Bureau to conduct an investigation of wire tapping as such, that he did desire that the Bureau conduct an investigation for the purpose of determining who hired Shimon and the others engaged in this wire tapping, by whom was he paid, to whom did he turn over the results of the wire tapping. In this regard the Attorney General stated that Shimon denied that he had been employed by the War Investigating Committee; however, two others working with Shimon told that they were working for the War Investigating Committee. The Attorney General further stated that he had a very strong letter from Senator Ferguson, who was now demanding he be cleared, in which letter he vigorously stated he had no part in having any wire tapping done as Chairman of the War Investigating Committee, that he had no knowledge of any kind with reference to such activities and flatly denying every and all connections with such activities or knowledge of such activities and stating that he felt in view of the charges made by Drew Pearson that he had a right to have his name cleared. Senator Brewster also denied any knowledge concerning this matter.

The Attorney General stated that he had been a minority member of the Committee during the Eightieth Congress when this activity was alleged to have taken place and that he had no knowledge of any such activity.

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In view of this, he stated that he felt that the Bureau would have to make an investigation not of wire tapping per se but as to the activities on behalf of the Senate Committee.

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The Attorney General wanted me to take the file and review it. I told him that I could not take the file; that I wanted to talk to the Director about this matter before he was given any reply in view of the fact that the Bureau did not normally conduct this type of investigation. The Attorney General again reiterated that he felt that it would be imperative that such an investigation be made and that he did not want it made by anyone other than the Bureau.

I am making arrangements to obtain the file from Peyton Ford for review.

The Washington Field Office will be orally instructed as to the nature of the investigation and every effort will be made to complete the investigation and get out of this case as rapidly as possible.

1. Expedite in every way & carry out A. G. instructions fully.
2. S. D. should keep an eye on this case. A. should take more than a day or two to clean it up.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

SUBJECT: LIEUTENANT JOSEPH W. SHIDON
WASHINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
MISCELLANEOUS

DATE: June 26, 1950

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. This investigation is predicated upon telephonic instructions from the Bureau to Special Agent in Charge GUY HOTTEL on the morning of June 22, 1950, instructing that an investigation be instigated to determine who hired subject and others to engage in reported wire tapping in July 1947, concerning the HOWARD HUGHES case, which was being investigated by the Senate War Investigating Committee, headed by Senators HOMER FERGUSON of Michigan and OWEN BREWSTER of Maine.

It is alleged by Columnist DREW PEARSON that subject, while employed as a Lieutenant with the Metropolitan Police Department, installed a wire tap on the telephone of HOWARD HUGHES, head of Transworld Airlines when HUGHES was summoned to Washington for a Senate hearing.

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[REDACTED] was unable to furnish any information as to SHIMON'S activities regarding HOWARD HUGHES or any of his employees and could furnish no information relative to any alleged wire tapping activities of SHIMON.

[REDACTED] b7c
[REDACTED] stated that he is under the impression that SHIMON told him that he had been directed to conduct this confidential inquiry by his superiors at the Metropolitan Police Department; however, [REDACTED] stated that he could not be sure of this statement and quite possibly such was implied by SHIMON rather than actually stated. [REDACTED] of the opinion that quite possibly SHIMON was directed to perform such activity.

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relative to the HUGHES Committee before BARRETT was appointed Superintendent of the Police Department, which was on July 1, 1947, and if any orders emanated from the Police Department, they quite possibly could have been made by BARRETT'S predecessor, Major CALLAHAN, or the police official acting as Superintendent during CALLAHAN'S sickness. [REDACTED] reiterated that quite definitely he had, at no time, instructed SHIMON to conduct any investigation relative to HOWARD HUGHES, nor had he ever been requested by any Senator or Congressman or any other persons to make SHIMON available for such an assignment. b7c

On the morning of June 23, 1950, Agents [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] interviewed [REDACTED] at his offices in the Municipal Center at the request of Major BARRETT who had been contacted by Special Agent in Charge HOTTEL. At this time, [REDACTED] discussed briefly the investigation that he and [REDACTED] had conducted in instant matter and advised that his report in instant matter was very complete and he could furnish no other information of value. [REDACTED] was very cooperative and stated he had been instructed by MAJOR BARRETT to offer all assistance in instant case and to make available any members of the Police Department who have been previously interviewed by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] during the police investigation in instant matter were made available by [REDACTED] and were interviewed by Agents [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. The results of the interview are set out as follows: b7c

[REDACTED] whose residence is [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] telephone number [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that he had been in the Police Department for [REDACTED] years, that during this time he was assigned to work for Lieutenant JOSEPH SHIMON at the U. S. Attorney's Office. [REDACTED] stated that he had been directed to accompany Lieutenant SHIMON to the Carlton Hotel in the latter part of July 1947, at which place Lieutenant SHIMON met an unidentified man whom [REDACTED] believed to be with the telephone company. [REDACTED] could furnish no definite reason for this belief; however, he stated that to the best of his recollection, he was told by SHIMON on previous occasions that this individual was in fact with the telephone company. [REDACTED] described this individual as follows: b7c

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Age:	Approximately 38 years
Height:	Approximately 5' 8"
Weight:	145 lbs.
Hair:	Dark

[redacted] stated he had seen this man on previous occasions in Lieutenant SHIMON'S office dressed as a workman and he elaborated on this statement to the effect that the man wore a jacket. [redacted] further reported that when this individual was contacted at the Carlton Hotel, he was dressed in a business suit and that when he was first contacted, this man told SHIMON that "everything is O.K."

[redacted] and SHIMON then reportedly went to a room in the Carlton Hotel on one of the upper floors, the exact number of which [redacted] could not recall, at which place Lieutenant SHIMON removed the cover of the telephone box and showed him two screws on which to attach wires which were in turn attached to a listening headset containing one earphone. [redacted] was also instructed to place a microphone at the bottom of door to an adjoining room which was in turn connected to an amplifier in a portable radio case. [redacted] described this microphone as being the type used by deaf people as a hearing aid.

It was also reported by [redacted] that from general talk around the office two or three weeks before he actually went to the Carlton Hotel, that Lieutenant SHIMON had intimated going to Capitol Hill for a big assignment for "the" Senate investigating committee. [redacted] further reported that the name of HOWARD HUGHES had not been mentioned until he went to the Carlton Hotel and to the best of his recollection, Lieutenant SHIMON mentioned "HOWARD HUGHES investigation" while en route to the Carlton Hotel.

[redacted] stated that after these verbal instructions by SHIMON, he accompanied SHIMON back to SHIMON'S office in the U. S. Attorney's Office and that SHIMON directed him to return to the Carlton Hotel at approximately 6:00 p.m. that evening, which he did and remained there until approximately 11:00 p.m., but because no conversation was overheard, the plant was discontinued at this time. [redacted] stated that he thought the room in the Carlton Hotel was occupied by bodyguards of HOWARD HUGHES.

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The following morning, Lieutenant SHIMON telephonically instructed [redacted] return to the Carlton Hotel that afternoon and resume the telephonic surveillance. [redacted] did this and SHIMON arrived at the hotel room shortly after dark. There had been no activity on the wire at this time and upon SHIMON'S arrival, he stated that the "advance men" had all moved to a suite at the Mayflower Hotel, that HOWARD HUGHES was expected there, and that he could go home. It should be pointed out at this time that [redacted] advised that in his original statement to the Police Department he had stated that the unknown man believed to be from the telephone company had been in the room on the first night after he [redacted] and SHIMON had been to the room in the afternoon. [redacted] at this time, stated that to the best of his knowledge, the unknown man had been there when he and SHIMON had first gone to the Carlton Hotel, and that he was quite possibly in error in this regard in his statement to the Police Department. [redacted] further stated that he had received specific instructions from SHIMON to take down all conversations on the phone in longhand as rapidly as possible and at no time, either at the Carlton or the subsequent tap at the Mayflower Hotel, should he use discretion in what information to take down. He was instructed to take everything down possible, to be particularly careful of figures and that there was absolutely no indication from SHIMON'S instructions that the purpose of the tap was to locate any individual or individuals, and that it was for general coverage.

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[redacted] stated that he was instructed shortly after the Carlton Hotel coverage to report activities from a telephone tap at the Mayflower Hotel and that he went to a room in the Mayflower Hotel the next day with Lieutenant SHIMON, at which time SHIMON installed the same apparatus on the telephone box. At this time, however, no microphone was used in the room. He further advised that he personally assisted SHIMON in lowering a microphone in an air duct which they cut open above a room he believed to be occupied by some of HUGHES' representatives. [redacted] continued that while he and SHIMON were installing this microphone in their shirt sleeves, they were observed by a hotel employee whom [redacted] believed to be a watchman, and that this hotel employee remarked that it appeared Lieutenant SHIMON and [redacted] were having difficulty on that particular job, but that this employee did not challenge their actions.

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After the installation was completed, [redacted] stated that he overheard conversations on a telephone being used by a

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man named SLACK and a man named DIETRICH (ph) and from the conversations, it was apparent that these two men were employed by HOWARD HUGHES. [redacted] further reported that he also heard one of these individuals telephone Senator FERGUSON or BREWSTER, he cannot recall definitely which name, but did recall that the Senator resided in a hotel, and that after writing up this particular conversation, Lieutenant SHIMON, to whom the report was turned over, remarked laughingly, "He (or they) will get a kick out of this," and that Lieutenant SHIMON left the room for the alleged purpose of calling someone. It should also be noted that Lieutenant SHIMON asked [redacted] if he had made copies of his reports and as a matter of fact, [redacted] turned over to Lieutenant SHIMON his penciled notations, as well as the typewritten report. b7c

[redacted] advised that assisting him in this installation were [redacted] and [redacted] of the Metropolitan Police Department. He further stated that SHIMON was a close-mouthed individual who was very cagey and that he, BRYANT, was of the opinion that SHIMON had received orders from officials of either the Metropolitan Police Department or the U. S. Attorney's Office to work on this job. He stated, however, that the longer the job ran, the more of the opinion he was that quite possibly SHIMON was doing this without any official instructions.

[redacted] stated that HENRY GRUENWALD frequently called SHIMON at the U. S. Attorney's Office and that around the time of the HUGHES investigation, the calls from GRUENWALD to SHIMON were accelerated. [redacted] stated that he became tired and worried about this setup at which time he told SHIMON that he would not work on such an assignment again for him. [redacted] stated that he was at the Mayflower Hotel for approximately a week. [redacted] was very cooperative during the interview and the above are the most pertinent of the facts that he furnished. He corroborated generally the information that he had furnished in his original statement to officials of the Metropolitan Police Department, a photostatic copy of which is being enclosed with this letter. b7c

It is believed important to set out that it is the opinion of [redacted] which opinion, however, cannot be substantiated that SHIMON in fact was working through GRUENWALD for some airline which was competing against HOWARD HUGHES' airline and it is the further opinion of [redacted] that SHIMON was not seeking the whereabouts of any individual but was attempting to gain all information

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which was given over the telephone by members of the HUGHES party.

[REDACTED] concluded his interview by again stating that he thought SHIMON was working for GRUENWALD but "can't pin it on any one thing" and mentioned the "other airline" could be Pan-American, but admitted that this was conjecture on his part. *b24/0*

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[redacted] presently attached to the [redacted] Washington Police Department and who lives at [redacted] telephone number [redacted] advised that he was assigned to work for Lieutenant SHIMON from [redacted] to [redacted]

[redacted] stated that from general conversations with Lieutenant SHIMON he believed SHIMON was doing a job for a Senate investigating committee and that on one occasion SHIMON stated that he thought he could have the whole squad assigned to a Senate investigating committee and that they would travel around the country and it was [redacted] opinion that the Police Department and the District Attorney's Office had loaned Lieutenant SHIMON to a Senate investigating committee and that he based this opinion on information he had obtained from SHIMON but could not substantiate this belief on any definite statement made by Lieutenant SHIMON. b7c

[redacted] could furnish no additional information other than that set forth in the statement he gave [redacted] and [redacted] in the original Police investigation in August of 1949. [redacted] when questioned relative to the text of the information he took down on the various taps stated he could not remember any of the details and generally took a "don't know nothing attitude". [redacted] was not particularly cooperative and impressed interviewing agents as being friendly with Lieutenant SHIMON and definitely recalcitrant about furnishing any information that could possibly harm SHIMON.

A photostatic copy of the police statement taken from [redacted] in August of 1949 is being enclosed with this letter.

[redacted] telephone [redacted] advised that he had worked for Lieutenant SHIMON [redacted] b7d

[redacted] stated that this assignment dealt with a wire tap at [redacted] and had nothing to do with the HOWARD HUGHES investigation, and that he remembers the name [redacted]

[redacted] stated that [redacted] he had a feeling that Lieutenant SHIMON had worked for the Senate [redacted]

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Committee before but because of SHIMON's position he never talked about this with SHIMON.

phone [redacted] advised that he entered the Police Department [redacted] and was assigned to work for Lieutenant SHIMON at the United States Attorney's Office in [redacted] and that he worked on that assignment until [redacted]

[redacted] stated that [redacted] when he was instructed by Lieutenant SHIMON that his services were needed for a confidential assignment, which [redacted] assumed to be connected with a Senate investigating committee and because he recalled a telephone call to Lieutenant SHIMON from HENRY GRUNEWALD, who was known to Lieutenant SHIMON and the others at the office as "Dutchman", when GRUNEWALD asked for SHIMON and left word that he, GRUNEWALD, could be reached at Senator BRIDGES' Office. [redacted] stated that he recognized GRUNEWALD's voice as GRUNEWALD called Lieutenant SHIMON many times after and during the time the telephone tap was installed at the Mayflower Hotel.

[redacted] stated that he had also sat on the telephone tap in the Carlton Hotel next to HUGHES' "advanced agents" until they were ordered to move the equipment to the Mayflower Hotel to cover "TOM SLACK and Mr. DIETRICH", employed by HOWARD HUGHES. b7c

[redacted] stated that he and the others covered telephone activities on the Mayflower telephone line from approximately 9:30 or 10 A.M. until midnight and that he did not believe anyone except [redacted] Lieutenant SHIMON and himself ever went in the hotel room with the possible exception of the hotel housekeeper.

It was also reported by [redacted] that he thought WILLIAM NOLAN, who was in partnership with Lieutenant SHIMON in the used car business, possibly knew about the Mayflower Hotel setup as Mr. NOLAN and Lieutenant SHIMON were inseparable during that period of time.

[redacted] stated that his instructions from Lieutenant SHIMON concerning listening to the telephone tap was to "get the meat of all conversations" and it was his understanding to obtain all possible information concerning the "TWA Airline". [redacted] further reported that he was instructed to never leave the tap until he was relieved, except when he departed the hotel at midnight.

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It was also reported by [redacted] that Lieutenant SHIMON told the other policemen that they were working on the HOWARD HUGHES case and that he had registered at the Mayflower Hotel as JACK DIAMOND, of Roanoke, Virginia, and that as a matter of fact, [redacted] had paid the hotel bill for Lieutenant SHIMON on one occasion with cash furnished by SHIMON, approximate amount of \$135.00 which [redacted] thought was a bill for one week. [redacted] further stated that a couple of days after they had withdrawn their equipment from the Mayflower Hotel, a stranger came into Lieutenant SHIMON's office in the District Courthouse Building, conversing privately with Lieutenant SHIMON. Immediately after the stranger left Lieutenant SHIMON's office, SHIMON walked out in the office where [redacted] was sitting, very deliberately took a thousand bill out of his pocket, placed it on the table in front of [redacted] and then put it in his, SHIMON's wallet in full view of [redacted] however, said nothing at this time. [redacted] described this individual as being 5' 6 to 7", 140 pounds, well dressed, professional appearance, between 35 and 40 years of age, clean shaven, and stated that he had never seen this individual before. [redacted] stated that he knows HENRY GRUNEWALD and that this individual was not GRUNEWALD.

It was also reported by [REDACTED] that he did not think Lieutenant SHIMON was working for a senate investigating committee but that he thought the Pan American Airline through HENRY GRUNEWALD was

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using SHIMON and his employees. [REDACTED] could not furnish any definite information on which to base his opinion but stated that during the time that the telephone tap was installed at the Mayflower Hotel that he had driven Lieutenant SHIMON past the Munsey Trust Building in which building he knew that GRUNEWALD had an office. b7c/D

[REDACTED] further reported that he thought [REDACTED] of the Mayflower Hotel, knew that SHIMON was in the hotel. b7c

[REDACTED]

A copy of [REDACTED] original statement to the Police Department Investigators is attached hereto.

[REDACTED] phone [REDACTED] advised that he was not working for Lieutenant SHIMON during the alleged wire tap concerning HOWARD HUGHES but that he had been instructed to report to Lieutenant SHIMON on a special detail with [REDACTED] concerning the reported activities of one [REDACTED] and that he had been advised of a letter of commendation received by the Police Department from the MACY Committee concerning this assignment. b7c

[REDACTED] stated that he had heard some hearsay talk about wire taps and Lieutenant SHIMON but that he could offer nothing specific but that he did know that Lieutenant SHIMON was friendly with WILLIAM MOLAN and HENRY GRUNEWALD. He stated that he thought HENRY GRUNEWALD had become acquainted with Lieutenant SHIMON sometime in 1945 when he had contacted the United States Attorney's Office and was referred to Lieutenant SHIMON concerning an investigation relative to [REDACTED] b7c/D

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[REDACTED] further stated that he was under the impression that SHIMON had in the past performed some duties for different Senatorial and Congressional committees, however, he could offer no direct evidence concerning his belief.

A copy of [REDACTED] statement given to the Police Department in their investigation is also being attached. b7D

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[REDACTED] was interviewed at [REDACTED] June 24, 1950, after being telephonically contacted by SAC GUY HOTTEL. [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] that JOE SHIMON had told him that he was checking on HOWARD HUGHES at the Mayflower and Carlton Hotels in the middle of 1947. [REDACTED] showed a very obvious dislike for the subject and from reported conversations with SHIMON drew a conclusion that SHIMON was working for some Senate investigating committee and that it was his opinion JOE SHIMON's contact man on Capitol Hill is HENRY GRUNEWALD.

[REDACTED] stated that SHIMON has advised him in the past that he had engaged in wire tapping and as a matter of fact had instructed [REDACTED] how to install a telephone tap. According to [REDACTED] SHIMON in discussing wire tapping has mentioned Justice DOUGLAS' opinion regarding wire tapping and "divulging information to hurt someone else."

[REDACTED] stated that Lieutenant SHIMON did not say whom he was working for but that it was his belief that SHIMON was working for or through HENRY GRUNEWALD, whom [REDACTED] described as "the brains or go-between with the Hill."

[REDACTED] stated he had never acted as a "stooge" for SHIMON and that it was just a coincidence that he was SHIMON's man at the Mayflower Hotel as reported in their statements.

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reported that he thought JOE SHIMON had a contact working for the telephone company to assist him in the installation of telephone taps [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] continued by stating that a representative of DREW PEARSON's office named ANDERSON had been in on June 22 to interview him but that he had not given this man any information but had referred him to see the people who worked with SHIMON.

[REDACTED] denied making the statement that JOE SHIMON received \$1,000 for every telephone tap he installed as reported by [REDACTED]

It was also reported by [REDACTED] that he thought GRUNEWALD was a contact man between SHIMON and Senator BRIDGES but he could furnish no specific information for reaching such a conclusion.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Mayflower Hotel, advised on June 24, 1950, that he had been contacted in July of 1947 by Lieutenant SHIMON of the Washington Police Department for the purpose of Lieutenant SHIMON's obtaining a room at the Mayflower Hotel, and that because he thought Lieutenant SHIMON was acting on an official police case, he made arrangements for Lieutenant SHIMON to get a room. [REDACTED] stated he had no information relative to how Lieutenant SHIMON used the room and suggested that [REDACTED] of the hotel, be contacted because [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] of the Police Department had contacted [REDACTED] in locating hotel registrations of Lieutenant SHIMON.

On June 26, 1950, Special Agent [REDACTED] contacted [REDACTED] Mayflower Hotel,

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and was advised that [REDACTED] has in his possession photostatic copy of registration card #613510 for JOSEPH W. DIMOND, Roanoke, Virginia, who registered July 30, 1947, and who checked out on August 11, 1947. The registration card reflects that rooms 733 and 734 were occupied at a rate of \$16 per day. First ledger account #254907 and last ledger account #275238 reflect payments were made on August 8, 1947, in the sum of \$160 and on August 11, 1947, in the sum of \$32 making a total of \$192. b7c/d

[REDACTED] stated that he and [REDACTED] Washington Police Department, spent several days examining recordak films in order to locate the foregoing records. It was also reported that Mr. SLACK and Mr. DIETRICH, connected with the HOWARD HUGHES Company, had occupied adjoining rooms to room 734 occupied by the subject. A plan of a typical floor of the Mayflower Hotel showing the location of these rooms is attached.

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[REDACTED] of the Washington Police Department, was telephonically contacted at [REDACTED] to ascertain if the Washington Police Department had been formally requested by any Senate Investigating Committee or Congressional source for the services of Lieutenant SHIMON. [REDACTED] advised that he had received a letter of commendation from Senator BRIDGES commending the work of Lieutenant SHIMON for services performed. [REDACTED] was unable to furnish the date of this letter. However, in his opinion it was in the latter part of 1947. At this time [REDACTED] stated that this letter and other Congressional correspondence relative to SHIMON were available at the Police Department under his supervision, and as he would return early Monday morning, June 26, 1950 he would cooperate fully with the Bureau in making these available. [REDACTED] stated that he at no time ordered SHIMON or any other member of his force to conduct any investigation relative to HOWARD HUGHES. b7c

On Monday morning, June 26, 1950, a conference was held in [REDACTED] office by Agents [REDACTED] of the Metropolitan Police Department, [REDACTED] Metropolitan Police Department and [REDACTED]. At this time [REDACTED] reiterated his previous statement that at no time, particularly in 1947, had he received any request from Senator BREWSTER, FERGUSON, or any other Senators or members of Congress to assign SHIMON or any other police officers on any assignment dealing with the HOWARD HUGHES investigation. b7c

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[REDACTED] stated that he had no idea who assigned SHIMON to this particular duty; however he definitely stated that not only did he have no knowledge of this assignment, but he could furnish no information as to who made the assignment. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b7c

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